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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009-10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 569

Introduced by Assembly Members Emmerson and Solorio Member Emmerson

(Principal coauthor: Senator Correa)

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An act to add Section 6612 to, and to add and repeal Section 10187 of, the Public Contract Code, relating to public contracts, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately. An act to amend Section 512 of the Labor Code, relating to employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 569, as amended, Emmerson. Public contracts: disabled veteran business enterprise: small business enterprise. Meal periods: exemptions. Existing law prohibits, subject to certain exceptions, an employer from requiring an employee to work more than 5 hours per day without providing a meal period and, notwithstanding that provision, authorizes the Industrial Welfare Commission to adopt a working condition order permitting a meal period to commence after 6 hours of work if the order is consistent with the health and welfare of affected employees.

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This bill would exempt from these provisions employees in a construction occupation, commercial drivers in the transportation industry, and employees in the security services industry employed as security officers if those employees are covered by a valid collective bargaining agreement containing specified terms, including meal period provisions. It would specify that its provisions do not affect the requirements for meal periods for certain other employees or employers.

Under existing law, state agencies and all other state entities contracting for materials, supplies, equipment, alteration, repair, or improvement are required to meet specified participation goals for disabled veteran business enterprises and small business enterprises.

This bill would provide that, for any contract advertised by a state agency or department on or before July 28, 2009, the state agency or department shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder meeting or making a good faith effort to meet existing disabled veteran business enterprise goals. This bill would additionally require a department, until January 1, 2014, when awarding a public works contract to the lowest responsible bidder, to consider the efforts of a bidder to meet the disabled veteran business enterprise goals, subject to specified documentation required of the responding bidder.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: ²/₃-majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 512 of the Labor Code is amended to
- 2 read: 3 512. (a) An employer may not employ an employee for a work
- 4 period of more than five hours per day without providing the
- 5 employee with a meal period of not less than 30 minutes, except
- that if the total work period per day of the employee is no more 6
- 7 than six hours, the meal period may be waived by mutual consent
- 8 of both the employer and employee. An employer may not employ 9 an employee for a work period of more than 10 hours per day
- 10 without providing the employee with a second meal period of not
- 11 less than 30 minutes, except that if the total hours worked is no
- 12 more than 12 hours, the second meal period may be waived by

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mutual consent of the employer and the employee only if the first meal period was not waived.

- (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the Industrial Welfare Commission may adopt a working condition order permitting a meal period to commence after six hours of work if the commission determines that the order is consistent with the health and welfare of the affected employees.
- (c) Subdivision (a) does not apply to an employee in the wholesale baking industry who is subject to an Industrial Welfare Commission wage order and who is covered by a valid collective bargaining agreement that provides for a 35-hour workweek consisting of five-seven-hour 7-hour days, payment of 1 and ½ one and one-half times the regular rate of pay for time worked in excess of seven hours per day, and a rest period of not less than 10 minutes every two hours.
- (d) If an employee in the motion picture industry or the broadcasting industry, as those industries are defined in Industrial Welfare Commission Wage-Orders Order Numbers 11 and 12, is covered by a valid collective bargaining agreement that provides for meal periods and includes a monetary remedy if the employee does not receive a meal period required by the agreement, then the terms, conditions, and remedies of the agreement pertaining to meal periods apply in lieu of the applicable provisions pertaining to meal periods of subdivision (a) of this section, Section 226.7, and Industrial Welfare Commission Wage-Orders Order Numbers 11 and 12.
- (e) Subdivisions (a) and (b) do not apply to an employee specified in subdivision (f) if both of the following conditions are satisfied:
- (1) The employee is covered by a valid collective bargaining agreement.
- (2) The valid collective bargaining agreement expressly provides for the wages, hours of work, and working conditions of employees, and expressly provides for meal periods for those employees, final and binding arbitration of disputes concerning application of its meal period provisions, premium wage rates for all overtime hours worked, and a regular hourly rate of pay of not less than 30 percent more than the state minimum wage rate.
 - (f) Subdivision (e) applies to each of the following employees:
 - (1) An employee employed in a construction occupation.

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(2) An employee employed as a commercial driver in the transportation industry.

- (3) An employee employed in the security services industry as a security officer who is registered pursuant to Chapter 11.5 (commencing with Section 7580) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, and who is employed by a private patrol operator registered pursuant to that chapter.
- (g) The following definitions apply for the purposes of this section:
- (1) "Commercial driver" means an employee who operates a vehicle described in subdivision (b) of Section 15210 of the Vehicle Code.
- (2) "Construction occupation" means all job classifications associated with construction by Article 2 (commencing with Section 7025) of Chapter 9 of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, including work involving alteration, demolition, building, excavation, renovation, remodeling, maintenance, improvement, and repair, and any other similar or related occupation or trade.
- SEC. 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (e) of Section 512 of the Labor Code do not affect the nature or scope of the law related to meal periods, including the timing of commencement of a meal period, for employees or employers not specifically covered by paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (e) of Section 512 of the Labor Code.
- SEC. 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including applicable Industrial Welfare Commission orders, the addition of paragraph (3) of subdivision (f) to Section 512 of the Labor Code made by this act does not affect the nature or scope of the law relating to meal periods for security officers who are not covered by a valid collective bargaining agreement.
- SECTION 1. Section 6612 is added to the Public Contract Code, to read:
- 34 6612. For any contract advertised on or before July 28, 2009, 35 the state agency or department shall award the contract to the 36 lowest responsible bidder meeting or making a good faith effort 37 to meet the disabled veteran business enterprise goals established 38 pursuant to Article 6 (commencing with Section 999) of Chapter 39 6 of Division 4 of the Military and Veterans Code.

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SEC. 2. Section 10187 is added to the Public Contract Code, to read:

- 10187. (a) In awarding a public works contract subject to this chapter to the lowest responsible bidder, the awarding department shall consider the efforts of a bidder to meet the disabled veteran business enterprise goals established pursuant to Article 6 (commencing with Section 999) of Chapter 6 of Division 4 of the Military and Veterans Code. The awarding department shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder meeting or documenting specific efforts to meet these goals.
- (b) A bidder shall be deemed to have met the specific effort requirements upon submittal, within the time limits specified by the awarding department, of documentary evidence that the following actions were taken:
- (1) Contact was made with the awarding department and a search was conducted on the Department of General Services' California certified disabled veteran business enterprise database to identify disabled veteran business enterprises specific to the contract.
- (2) Sufficient work was made available to disabled veteran business enterprises to meet the contract goal.
- (3) Subcontract bids were solicited from disabled veteran business enterprise firms. When soliciting subcontractor bids, the bidder shall do the following:
- (A) Provide interested disabled veteran business enterprises with information, including, but not limited to, identification of the work available, the date the disabled veteran business enterprise's bid was due to the bidder, the specified bonding and licensing requirements, and the prime contractor's contact person.
- (B) Give disabled veteran business enterprises no less than seven ealendar days to respond to a solicitation.
- (C) Utilize various contact methods, including, but not limited to, published advertising, telephone, e-mail, fax, or United States mail.
- (D) Provide the awarding department with all disabled veteran business enterprise bids received. If a bid of a disabled veteran business enterprise is rejected, provide the bid of the selected nondisabled veteran business enterprise and the reasons for rejecting the disabled veteran business enterprise bid.
- 39 (c) This section shall become inoperative on December 31, 40 2013, and on January 1, 2014, is repealed.

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SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to eliminate confusion with regard to the bidding process for state contracts as soon as possible, thus preserving the quality of work provided and the health and safety of the citizens of California, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.